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GREEKS' HEROIC STAND AGAINST THE MOSLEMS.

Edhem Pasha's Advance Is Checked.

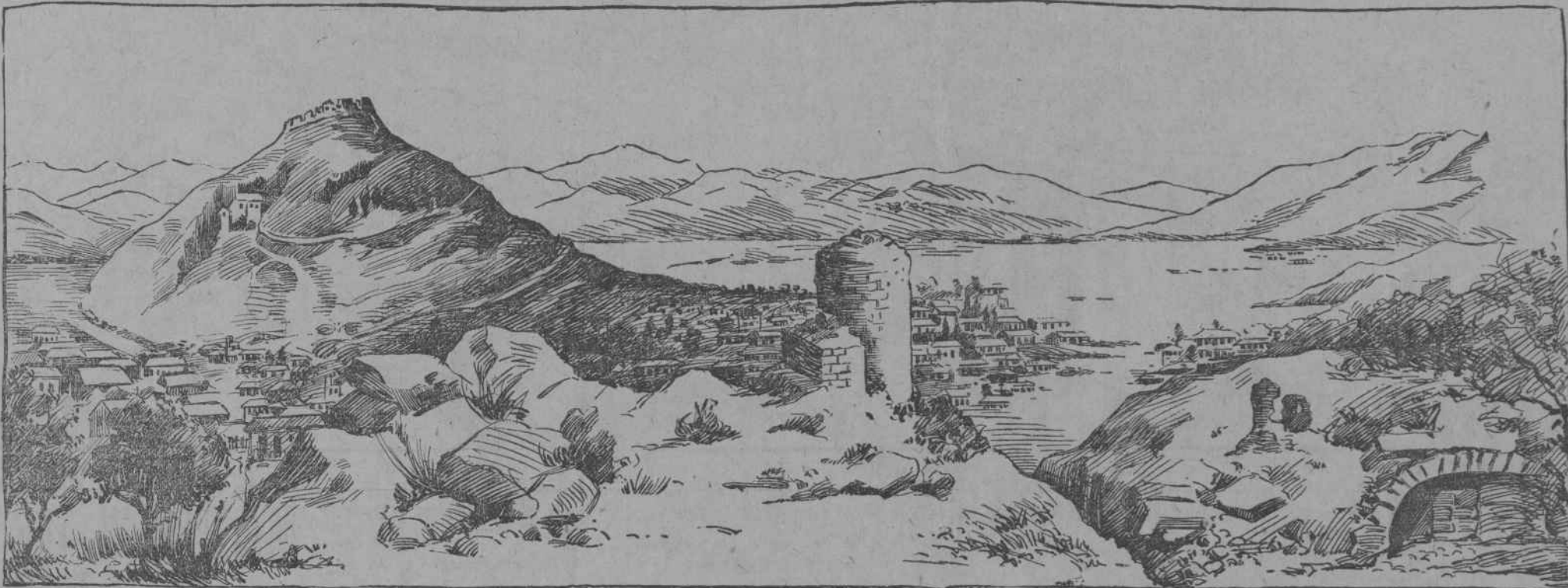
FIGHTING IS FIERCE.

Turks Make Three As-
saults on Reveni and
Are Repulsed.

INVADERS WIN TURNAVO.

Furious Engagements Result
in the Turks Gaining
Some Advantage.

WILL NOW STRIKE AT LARISSA.



LARISSA AND THE PLAINS OF THESSALY, UPON WHICH THE TURKS ARE ADVANCING.

By Langdon Perry.
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ATHENS, April 20.—The war on the frontier continues with unabated fury, and all along the line, from the Gulf of Salonica, on the east, to the Gulf of Arta, on the west, a desperate struggle is going on for the mastery.

The advance of the Turkish forces on Turnavo has not been seriously checked, though from Greek sources come many claims of victories. These, however, are of small import compared to the information to-night that the Turks are investing Turnavo.

Turnavo is about three leagues northwest of Larissa, and was depended upon by the Greeks to seriously hamper any attempt that would have been made by the Turks to approach Larissa.

Immediately after their disastrous defeat at Melouna Pass, the Greeks fell back to Turnavo, but the Turks closely followed them and last evening began a vigorous cannonading of the position.

May Not Check Turks

The Crown Prince Constantine was at Turnavo until yesterday morning, when he returned to Larissa. Later, he went to Reveni and Gritzovali, where it was hoped to check the advance of the Turks from that direction. This has been done, but Turnavo's fall will make it next to impossible for the Moslem advance upon the Greek military base at Larissa to be stopped.

Larissa is poorly fortified, and it may become necessary for the Greeks to precipitate a pitched battle with the Turks on the plains that lie between Larissa and the Macedonian frontier. If such an event occurs it will be the greatest military struggle in the history of the world.

A Greek force, after a terrific battle, has managed to get through to the plains of Damasi, in Macedonia, meantime bombarding and destroying the small village of Vigla, half a dozen Turkish batteries and killing over 200 Turks. The Greek loss was light. About 300 Turks were taken prisoners at Vigla.

The pass at Reveni, a few miles northwest of Turnavo, where there are as many as 40,000 Turks, under the personal direction of Edhem Pasha, has been the scene of the fiercest fighting of the war. This horde of Moslems, singing and chanting war songs, reach from Reveni to Boughese, and for the past three days have unrelentingly endeavored to obtain a free road to the Thessalian plains.

Twenty thousand Greeks, under the direction of Prince Constantine, have as steadily fought and struggled to keep back the Mohammedan stream, and have thus far succeeded.

This morning, with Edhem Pasha at the head, the Turks again made a combined attack upon the two positions, which, if carried by the Turks, would open a still wider way to Larissa.

Repulsed the Turks.

At every point the Greeks, though in inferior numbers, met the attacks with valor and great steadiness, and repulsed the Turks time and again. The loss on the Turkish side was very heavy. Repeated assaults were made, with no effect, however, and up to noon the Greeks have not only repelled their opponents, but had gained several Turkish positions, and captured several batteries of artillery, which were promptly turned upon their former owners.

Greek Gains in the West.

On the Gulf of Arta the Greeks are having things pretty much their own way. The Turks at Arta to-day attempted to cross the Avakphos River, despite the fire of the Greek artillery. This was magnificently handled, however, and the Moslems were mowed down by the score, the river being utterly filled with corpses of the Sultan's soldiers. Staggering under their awful defeat the Turks retreated.

Colonel Manos, in his invasion of this part of Epirus, has been very successful. He has occupied several villages with but slight resistance, and has hastily fortified them. There is hardly any serious obstacle to his advance northward into Albania and toward Yanina, where a great battle may be fought.

After retreating the Turks attempted to successfully bombard Arta, using nearly 100 pieces of artillery in the operation. But it failed, their marksmanship being bad and the range too great.

Work for War Ships.

The squadron of ironclads which left the Piræus to-day under sealed orders is likely to strike some bold blow, though it is generally believed it is bound for Salonica, which it will bombard, and where it is hoped to cut off the base of supplies of the army under Edhem Pasha.

The second squadron, composed of a frigate, two corvettes, three armed transports and one torpedo boat left the Golden Horn this afternoon. Other Turkish vessels are still under the guns of the Dardanelles forts.

TURKS GAIN GROUND.

Capture Bonnali, Kirtpe and Tano.
The Greeks Also Gain Some
Victories.

By Julian Ralph.

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London, April 20.—Edhem Pasha, according to a telegram received from Salonica, has captured Bonnali; Ahmed Pasha has occupied Kirtpe, and Hussein Pasha is master of Tano. Nevertheless, as a matter of fact, the Greeks are doing rather better. Yesterday, after desperate fighting, they recaptured their positions at Critzovali and now hold them.

Their advance guard is also close to the Turkish forces at Damasi. They also successfully bombarded Vigla, destroying six of the Turkish batteries, and the capture of the place is momentarily expected. They destroyed Turkish batteries at Tafel, Vryssi and Menexa, and at Reveni the Greeks still hold their own after furious hand to hand fighting.

Constantine at Larissa.

The Crown Prince returned to Larissa from Turnavo.

It is probable there is a battle on the plain of Damasi.
Italy has announced neutrality.

TURKS TAKE TURNAVO?

Edhem Pasha Within Ten Miles
of Larissa, the Greek
Headquarters.

Constantinople, April 20.—After a series of furious engagements, Edhem Pasha, the Turkish Commander-in-Chief, has occupied Turnavo, ten miles from Larissa, in force.

General Abdul Azel Pasha is among the killed.

The Turks will now immediately advance by forced marches upon Larissa, the headquarters of the Greek army in Thessaly. (This dispatch is from Constantinople.)

Edhem Pasha has wired the Sultan that he gained several notable victories yesterday, occupying all the fortified positions commanding Turnavo. He reports that the Greeks evacuated their entrenched camp, leaving behind thirty cases of cartridges and many rifles. The Turks, he says, have retaken Veltzko, which the Greeks surprised and captured on the first day of the frontier aggression.

A second Turkish squadron left the Golden Horn this afternoon for the Dardanelles. It consists of the iron-clad Orhanien, the

and made a stand. In the meantime Prince Constantine hurried reinforcements forward to the assistance of General Mastropas, and General Smolentz, formerly Greek Minister for War, succeeded in forcing the enemy back.

Prince Constantine has severely censured General Mastropas for his blunder.

The Police to Fight

All the members of the gendarmerie and other police forces militarily organized are now going to the frontier. The citizens have volunteered to guard the town and the same state of affairs prevails in all the other towns of Greece. On all sides there is a firm determination to meet the Turkish invasion, and every man who can be spared and who can bear arms is going to the front.

The Athenian women, under the patronage of the Queen, have converted the steamer Thessaly into a floating hospital. Three hundred beds for the wounded have been fitted up on board of her, and she is now proceeding for Voio.

The bombardment of Preveza, the Turkish position at the entrance of the Gulf of Arta, was resumed at 9 o'clock this morning by the Greek forces on land and sea. It is believed the town will be soon reduced.

A Greek squadron left the Piræus at midnight under sealed orders. Several merchantmen have been hastily armed, and detachments of Greek troops have been hurried on board of them.

miles from the Greek headquarters, the Greeks having fallen back upon Turnavo.

The whole chain of mountains from Tchallasza to the Melouna Pass is now in possession of the Turks. The last brush on the hills was very brief, the Greeks making but little resistance.

The Turks captured several prisoners, including an Italian volunteer. The dash of the Turks is irresistible and it is expected that a general advance of the Turkish army will take place.

During Sunday night the Turks strengthened the positions which they had captured from the Greeks; but at sunrise it was seen that the Greek forces had retired, except from a hill, which was occupied by the Greek command.

Desultory firing took place all the morning, and finally, at 1 p. m., Monday, Haidi Pasha sent four battalions off to drive the enemy from the hill referred to. In twenty

Greeks Gaining Victories In West.

SLAUGHTER OF TURKS.

Attempt to Cross the
Areekphos Results
In Disaster.

GREEKS MARCH TO YANINA

Colonel Manos and His Army
Meeting with Little
Opposition.

KING GEORGE TAKES THE FIELD.

in Pass Saturday, is greatly lamented, ending eighty years of age, and, while ad to dis- at the head of his troops, was urged to dis- mount and rest. The old Pasha repli dis- "During the Russian war I do so now mounted, and why should I do so now ed in the arm, but he still remained in the saddle. Later a second bullet struck him on the hand. Yet the old warrior refused to retire. Finally, a third bullet broke the gallant Pasha's spine and he rolled from his saddle dead.

ORDERS TO BULGARIA.

Turkey Notifies Her "Vassal" to
Expel the Greek
Consuls.

Sofia, Bulgaria, April 20.—A news

THE WAR AT A GLANCE.

Edhem Pasha and a strong Turkish force, after a series of furious engagements, is said, by Turkish advices, to have captured Turnavo. This is within ten miles of Larissa, headquarters of the Greek army, and it is reported that the Turks will move on the place by forced marches. General Abdul Azel Pasha was killed in the battle at Turnavo. Every able-bodied man in Larissa is being armed to oppose the Turkish advance. All the positions around Turnavo have been taken by the Turks.

The Minister of the Interior has summoned every citizen in Greece to take up arms in defence of the country.

Two Turkish squadrons have left the Golden Horn for the Dardanelles.

Officials at Constantinople claim the Turks repulsed the Greeks at Eleutheropol, when they tried to land there to cut the railway between Salonica and Eleassona. The Turkish reports say fifty Greeks were killed and wounded.

Fighting was renewed in Melouna Pass, the Greeks attempting to retake their lost positions.

The Egyptian Government, at the request of Turkey, has ordered all Greeks to leave the country within two weeks.

The gendarmie and police of the Greek towns have been ordered to the front.

The military hospital at Arta, which was flying the Red Cross flag, has been bombarded by the Turks.

Edhem Pasha, commander-in-chief of the Turkish army, has captured Bonnali, and the Turks have also occupied Kirtpe and Tano.

The Greeks recaptured their positions at Critzovali after desperate fighting. The Greeks also bombarded Vigla, destroying six of the Turkish batteries. They also destroyed Turkish batteries at Tafel, Vryssi and Menexa.

Crown Prince Constantine has returned to Larissa.

Turks are bombarding Arta, and Greeks, it is reported from Athens, continue the bombardment of Preveza. The Greek army in Epirus will probably fight a Turkish army at Janina. The Turks claim the Greek fleet at Preveza has been forced to retire.

King George of Greece will take the field in person. He has already left Athens for the frontier.

Veltzko, which was in possession of the Greeks, has been retaken by the Turks.

The situation in Crete will not be affected by the war. The powers will continue their efforts to endow the island with autonomy.

Several English army officers, on both the active and retired lists, have offered their services to the Turkish Government.

minute, it was all over. The resistance

of the Greeks was feeble and many of them surrendered to the Turks. The prisoners were mostly young and sturdy men. After the capture of the last Greek position the Turks advanced, singing as they marched forward, and occupied all the remaining heights.

On reaching the summit of the hills above Turnavo, the Turks observed that the Greeks were occupying a small hill, from which they fired but feebly at the Turks. Finally two Turkish mountain batteries were brought up to the summit of the hill occupied by the Turks, and from there the Turkish guns began bombarding Turnavo. Under cover of this the Turkish infantry advanced, and after capturing a spur opposite the Greek blackhouse orders were given to the Turks at 5 o'clock to take the blackhouse by assault. This movement was brilliantly effected twenty minutes later.

The Greek prisoners say that the Greek Army has already lost heart.

The situation at present is that the Turks have possession of all the commanding heights between their headquarters and the Greek headquarters at Larissa, with the exception of Turnavo, which is now commanded by the Turkish batteries.

(This is not true, according to the Journal's special cable from Athens. It must be remembered this comes from the Turkish headquarters.)

The Turks are camping in the Greek tents left on the Plain of Thessaly, near Melouna Pass, by the retreating Greek army. The Turks to-day only had six men killed and ten wounded.

The death of Haidi Pasha, the Turkish commander who was killed in the fighting

paper of this city announces that the Turkish Government has called upon Bulgaria, as the vassal of Turkey, to hand passports to all the Greek Consuls in Bulgaria.

The Bulgarian Cabinet is now considering this question.

A dispatch from Cairo, Egypt, says that at the request of the Turkish Government the Egyptian Government has handed the Greek diplomatic agent, M. J. Gyparis, his passports, and has ordered all Greeks to leave Egypt within a fortnight.

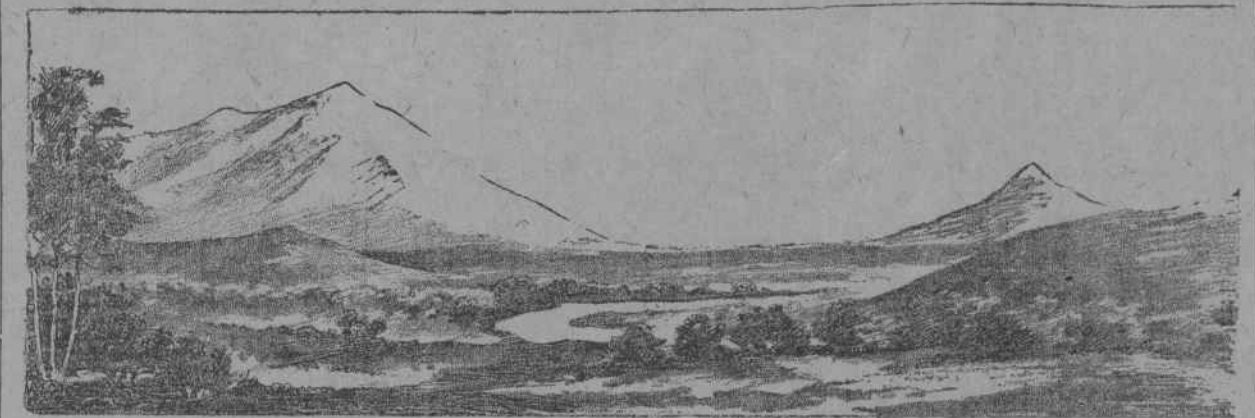
CRETE NOT AFFECTED.

Powers Will Try to Pacify the
Island—Britons to Aid
Turks.

London, April 20.—On good authority, the Associated Press is informed that the war between Greece and Turkey will not affect the situation in Crete. The powers, having guaranteed the safety of the Mussulman population there, will continue their efforts to pacify the island and endow it with autonomy.

The officials of the Turkish Embassy here believe, from the wording of Edhem Pasha's dispatches to the Turkish Government, that the Greeks will make no great stand until the Turks reach Larissa, where the main battle, it is thought, will be fought. This seems probable, as Prince Constantine, the Greek Commander-in-Chief, has left Turnavo for Larissa.

Several British officers, both on the active list and belonging to the reserve, have offered their services at the Turkish



The Plains of Thessaly, with Mounts Olympus and Ossa.

Thus honors are easy on the eastern frontier. On the western the bombardment of Preveza continues. The town should be captured immediately.

It is difficult to state the losses, but it is asserted that each side had considerably over a thousand killed and wounded in the battle in Melouna Pass.

The powers will not interfere unless requested to do so by one of the belligerents, or if, after a decisive battle, the Berlin Cabinet requests Austria to take measures of precaution.

Expect a Brief War.

The opinion here is that the war is likely to end in a few days, but this, of course, is based on the view of continuous Turkish success, which is less certain than before.

Heavy artillery fire was heard at Larissa to-day from the direction of Turnavo. It

monitor Hifsaframan, the corvette Mansouria, five torpedo boats and four steamers, which have been converted into cruisers.

Prince Marroccordato, the Greek Minister to Turkey, has sailed for Athens. All the Ambassadors except the German Ambassador went to the quay to bid him farewell.

KING TAKES THE FIELD?

Greece's Ruler Leaves the City of
Athens for the Scene of
Fighting.

Rome, April 20.—According to a dispatch to the Messagero from Athens, King George of Greece leaves Athens for the frontier to-day.

STRUGGLE FOR MELOUNA

The Greeks and Turks Also Fight a
Series of Battles on the
Frontier.

Athens, April 20.—There was renewed fighting between the Turks and Greeks in Melouna Pass yesterday. It was of the most severe description. The firing ceased at 5 o'clock last evening. The total Greek loss in the various engagements in Melouna Pass is estimated here at 1,000 killed and wounded. More than 200 wounded soldiers and officers of the Greek army have arrived at Larissa, Turnavo and Voio. The losses of the Turks are declared to be much greater than those of the Greeks.

Prince Constantine has returned to Larissa from Critzovali, where he witnessed some severe fighting. The Greek reverse at that place was due to the fact that General Mastropas, who is in command of the Greek artillery, misunderstood Prince Constantine's orders and ordered a retreat of the Greek forces. The Turks thereupon advanced and soon occupied Critzovali, pursuing the retreating Greeks, killing a few and wounding 200 of them.

General Mastropas's brigade later rallied



A GREEK IRREGULAR PICKET.

Colonel Manos, in command of the Greek forces upon the frontier of Epirus, has telegraphed to the Government here that the Turks have bombarded the military hospital at Arta, although the Red Cross flag was hoisted over it.

It was announced this evening that the Greek have recaptured Critzovali.

An official dispatch from Arta says that after crossing the Arakthos at Bani the Greeks occupied the villages of Neokhor and Sakhalama, where they strongly entrenched themselves. Colonel Manos is now advancing northward in the direction of Paraskevi. The Greeks repulsed an attempt of the Turks to cross the bridge this morning. A number of Greeks, among them several officers, were killed and others were wounded.

EDHEM PASHA'S ADVANCE

The Turkish Army Moving with
Energy on the Greek
Headquarters.

Headquarters of the Turkish Army in Macedonia, Eleassona, April 19.—(Copyright, 1897, by the Associated Press.)—The Turkish artillery this afternoon began cannonading Turnavo, the Greek town to the northwest of Larissa, and only ten



CHRISTIAN CHURCH AT ARTA, ON THE RIVER ARAKPHOS.